



The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is a regional governmental agency that oversees the water resources in 16 counties – from Orlando to the Florida Keys.

## OUR MISSION

To **SAFEGUARD** and **RESTORE** South Florida's water resources and ecosystems, **PROTECT** our communities from flooding, and **MEET** the region's water needs while **CONNECTING** with the public and stakeholders

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# SFWMD 2021-2022 Budget

Quick Facts on the Oct. 1, 2021-Sept. 30, 2022 Fiscal Year Budget



The South Florida Water Management District Governing Board approved budget is \$1.15 billion for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year. The agency's budget is developed annually through a public process.

## Budget Highlights

- More than \$624 million to continue Everglades and ecosystem restoration progress building projects such as completing the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) Reservoir Project's Stormwater Treatment Area, completing the Caloosahatchee Reservoir, completing the C-44 Stormwater Treatment Area, building components of the Central Everglades Planning Project (CEPP), constructing the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Plan, making progress constructing the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands, making improvements to Taylor Slough, completing a cutoff wall to reduce seepage to the 8.5 Square Mile Area, constructing several Restoration Strategies water quality projects and making progress on other Northern Everglades & Estuaries Protection Plan key projects.
- More than \$234 million to upgrade and maintain SFWMD's water management infrastructure including the 4,310 miles of canals and levees, 918 water control structures, 621 culverts and 89 pump stations that make up the regional flood protection system. This includes \$56 million for refurbishment of components of the flood protection system, \$117 million for ongoing operations and maintenance and \$61 million for hurricane/tropical weather impacts or unanticipated flood protection emergencies.
- More than \$71 million science, monitoring and water supply projects expanded water quality monitoring in the Everglades and several critical estuaries and watersheds; support for numerous alternative water supply projects with local partners; watershed protection planning and the Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI).



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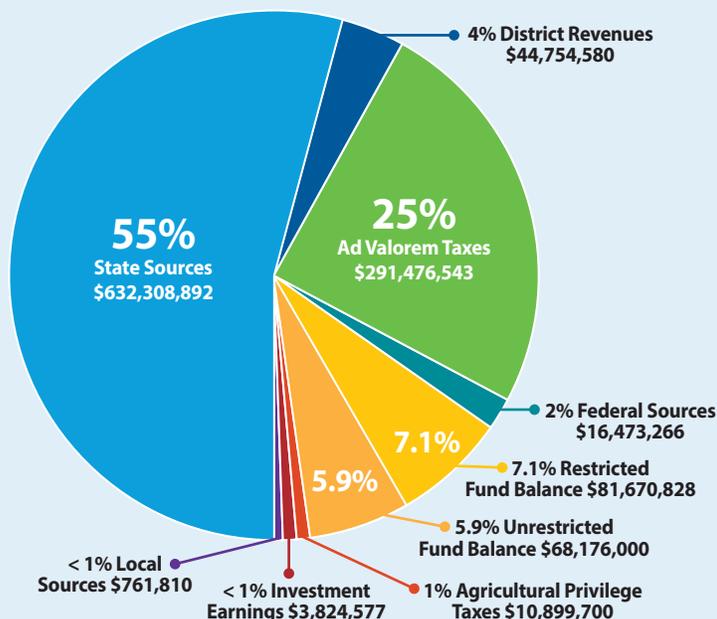
## Budget Highlights (continued)

- More than \$75 million to address sea level rise and climate change impacts and help ensure the continued and future resiliency of the flood protection and water supply systems by prioritizing upgrades to critical water control structures and creating environmentally-friendly infrastructure upgrades.
- More than \$50 million for conserving and acting as good stewards of more than 1 million acres of public lands including battling invasive plants and animals such as Burmese pythons; performing prescribed burns to enhance the natural habitat and expanding public recreational opportunities.
- More than \$17 million for flood control operations, maintenance, land stewardship, partnerships with local governments & capital improvement projects for Big Cypress Basin serving residents in Collier & part of Monroe counties.
- More than \$25 million for regulation and public engagement efforts including enhanced environmental enforcement and compliance activities, reviewing environmental resource and consumptive use permits and efforts to further expand public outreach, public engagement and transparency in all water management decisions.
- \$50 million to continue to attract and develop SFWMD's award-winning staff of scientists, engineers, and countless other water management professionals.

## Revenue Sources and Adopted Millage Rates

- The annual budget is funded by a combination of ad valorem (property) taxes and other revenues such as state appropriations, federal and local sources, fees, investment earnings and agricultural privilege taxes.
- The millage rate for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year represents \$25.72 per \$100,000 of taxable value in 15 of the District's 16 counties (Okeechobee Basin).
- The millage rate for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year represents \$21.77 per \$100,000 of taxable value in Collier and Mainland Monroe Counties (Big Cypress Basin)

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### SFWMD FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 ADOPTED EXPENDITURES EXPENDITURES \$1,150,346,196

